

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No. : 10/719,786  
Inventor(s) : Edward Paul Carlin  
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Examiner : Catharine L. Anderson  
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Customer No. : 27752  
Title : TAMPON WITH DIVERSE SURFACE AREAS

REPLY AFTER 3rd OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 CFR §1.111(b)

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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**INTRODUCTORY REMARKS**

The Director is hereby authorized to charge all required fees (including any extension of time fees) and to credit any overpayments in this and any concurrent or future correspondence to Deposit Account No. 16-2480. In response to the Office Action of May 26, 2009, please consider the following remarks and reconsider the application.

*Amendments to the Claims* begin on page 2 of this paper.

*Remarks* begin on page 4 of this paper.